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1. A method comprising:  
determining a characteristic of a local noise  
source at a first transceiver;  
transmitting information about said local noise  
source to a second transceiver; and  
using said information to control a wireless  
transmission from said second transceiver to said first  
transceiver.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein determining a  
characteristic includes determining a characteristic of a  
local noise source at a first network node and transmitting  
information about said local noise source to a second  
network node, and using said information to control a  
wireless transmission from said second network node to said  
first network node.

3. The method of claim 1 further including  
controlling transmissions from said second transceiver to  
reduce the probability of interference between said  
transmission and said local noise source.

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4. The method of claim 1 wherein transmitting  
information about said local noise source includes  
transmitting information about the probability of a

4 transmission occurring at a given time from said local  
5 noise source.

1 5. The method of claim 4 including delaying a  
2 transmission from said second transceiver to said first  
3 transceiver until the probability of interference with said  
4 local noise source is reduced.

1 6. The method of claim 1 wherein determining a  
2 characteristic of a local noise source includes identifying  
3 a characteristic of said local noise source without  
4 demodulating said local noise source.

1 7. The method of claim 6 wherein identifying a  
2 characteristic includes measuring a received signal  
3 strength, and identifying a periodicity in said noise  
4 source without demodulating said noise source.

1 8. The method of claim 1 wherein transmitting  
2 information includes transmitting a statistical model of  
3 said noise source to predict the future behavior of said  
4 noise source.

1 9. An article comprising a medium storing  
2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to:

3           determine a characteristic of a local noise  
4 source at a first transceiver;  
5           transmit information about said local noise  
6 source to a second transceiver; and  
7           use said information to control a wireless  
8 transmission from said second transceiver to said first  
9 transceiver.

1           10. The article of claim 9 further storing  
2 instructions that enable the processor-based system to  
3 control a transmission from said second transceiver to  
4 reduce the probability of interference between said  
5 transmission and said local noise source.

1           11. The article of claim 9 further storing  
2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to  
3 transmit information about the probability of a  
4 transmission from said local noise source occurring at a  
5 given time.

1           12. A transceiver comprising:  
2           a module to determine a characteristic of a local  
3 noise source;  
4           a transmitter to transmit information about the  
5 local noise source; and

6 a receiver that receives information about a  
7 local noise source remote to said transceiver to control a  
8 wireless transmissions from said transceiver.

1 13. The transceiver of claim 12 wherein said  
2 transceiver is a network node.

1 14. The transceiver of claim 12 including a received  
2 signal strength indication detector coupled to said module.

1 15. A method comprising:  
2 receiving a noise signal;  
3 identifying a characteristic in said noise signal  
4 without demodulating said signal; and  
5 using said characteristic to identify said noise  
6 signal.

1 16. The method of claim 15 wherein receiving a noise  
2 signal includes receiving a noise signal having a  
3 characteristic identifiable without demodulating said  
4 signal and using said characteristic to predict the  
5 behavior of said signal without demodulating said signal.

1 17. The method of claim 16 wherein identifying the  
2 characteristic includes identifying a time characteristic  
3 in said noise signal without demodulating said signal.

1 18. The method of claim 17 wherein identifying a  
2 characteristic includes identifying a periodicity in said  
3 noise signal and using said periodicity to predict the  
4 future behavior of said noise signal.

1 ~~19.~~ A device comprising:  
2 a receiver that receives a noise signal and  
3 identifies a characteristic in said noise signal without  
4 demodulating said signal; and  
5 a unit that uses said characteristic to identify  
6 said noise signal.

1 20. The device of claim 19 including a transmitter  
2 that controls transmissions to reduce the likelihood of  
3 interference at an intended transmission recipient.

1 21. The device of claim 19 wherein said receiver  
2 includes a circuit that develops a statistical estimation  
3 of the likelihood of the occurrence of the noise signal  
4 based on the nature of said characteristic.

1 ~~22.~~ A method comprising:  
2 receiving a noise signal having a characteristic  
3 identifiable without demodulating said signal; and

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4 using said characteristic to predict the behavior  
5 of said signal without demodulating said signal.

1 23. The method of claim 22 including receiving a  
2 slotted noise signal and determining the probability that a  
3 given slot is occupied.

1 24. The method of claim 22 wherein receiving a signal  
2 having a characteristic includes receiving a signal having  
3 a time characteristic and using said time characteristic to  
4 predict the behavior of said signal at a future time.

1 25. A device comprising:  
2 a receiver that identifies a noise signal without  
3 demodulating said signal based on a characteristic of said  
4 noise signal; and  
5 a unit that predicts the behavior of said signal  
6 based on said characteristic without demodulating said  
7 signal.

1 26. The device of claim 25 wherein said unit  
2 identifies a slotted noise signal and determines the  
3 probability that a given slot is occupied.

